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REMARKS

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1. On 18 May 1954, except for sentries and soldiers playing games, no activity was observed at the former Pionier Kaserne and the former Pionier Zeugamt in Klosterneuburg (O 49/S 30). The troops apparently were absent from their station. 1 25X1
2. On 10 May 1954, numerous soldiers, most of them officers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, including two majors with red-bordered black epaulets, were observed at the Trost Kaserne in Vienna, which was guarded by a sentry wearing red-bordered black epaulets. Trucks 25X1 and jeep 25X1 all drivers with red-bordered black epaulets, left the installation. Six tank trucks and two other trucks were parked under shed roofs on the empty drill ground of the installation. Ten soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets, most of them with artillery insignia, cleaned the yard of the repair shop at 109-111 Trost Strasse, where two model SE-100 SP guns were stored. Except for truck 25X1 which was parked in the yard, no motor vehicles or activities were observed at the garage near the water tower on Windten Strasse, which was guarded by a sentry wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia. The garage on Alxinger Strasse housed an estimated 40 motor vehicles including trucks 25X1 and 25X1. Sedan 25X1 were stored in the garage on Fernerstorfer Gasse, which was guarded by a sentry wearing red-bordered black epaulets. 2
3. On 18 and 19 May 1954, no armored vehicles, but only three trucks and some soldiers were observed in the sheds of the garages southeast of the railroad station, which were guarded by a sentry who wore red-bordered black epaulets. Jeep 25X1 driver with black-bordered red epaulets, and occupied 25X1 a major with red-bordered black epaulets, besides truck 25X1 with red-bordered black epaulets, entered the installation. One major wearing black-bordered red epaulets and two majors wearing red-bordered black epaulets were observed at the forest camp. Truck 25X1 driver with black-bordered red epaulets, left the camp toward Kaisersteinerbrunn (P 43/K 57). Truck 25X1 driver with red-bordered black epaulets, was parked in front of the Kometatura, which was guarded by a sentry wearing black-bordered red epaulets. 25X1

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4. On 26 April 1954, two armored scout cars and eight tanks with five bogie wheels [redacted] were entrained at the Bruck on the Leitha River railroad station for an unidentified destination. 3 25X1
1. [redacted] Comment. The present report again confirms the absence of the 4th Gds Mech Regt and the 8th Gds Engr Bn from Klosterneuburg. It is believed that these two units were rotated to the summer camp on the Doellersheim training grounds. 25X1
3. [redacted] Comment. It is believed that component units of the 4th Gds Mech Regt have been rotated to the Doellersheim training grounds, where the bulk of the 13th Gds Mech Div is apparently quartered in the summer camp. The empty drill ground in the Trost Kaserne and the lack of activity at the garage near the water tower indicate that part of the troops are absent. From the present report, it may also be concluded that elements of the regiment are still stationed at Vienna. The motor-vehicle [redacted] belong to the 13th Gds Mech Div. 25X1
3. [redacted] Comment. Previous reports indicated that component units of the 15th Gds Tank Regt, which is stationed at Bruck, apparently left their station, presumably for the summer camp on the Doellersheim training grounds. [redacted] the truck observed at the garages belonged to the 13th Gds Mech Div, and the trucks observed at the forest camp and in front of the Kommandatura to the Central Group of Forces. It is believed that the eight tanks with five bogie wheels which were entrained on 26 April were T-34 tanks. [redacted] 25X1

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